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Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 17a-5 Thereunder

REPORT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING 01/01/2017 AND ENDING 12/31/2017

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A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFICATION

NAME OF BROKER-DEALER: Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.

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ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P.O. Box No.)

FIRM I.D. NO.

800 Third Avenue, Suite 2700

(No. and Street)

New York

NY

10022

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT IN REGARD TO THIS REPORT

Brent Hippert 443-541-8400

(Area Code - Telephone Number)

B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFICATION

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT whose opinion is contained in this Report*

Goldman & Company CPA's, PC

(Name - if individual, state last, first, middle name)

316 Alexandra Street, Suite 4,

Marietta

GA

30060

(Address)

(City)

(State)

(Zip Code)

CHECK ONE:



Certified Public Accountant



Public Accountant



Accountant not resident in United States or any of its possessions.

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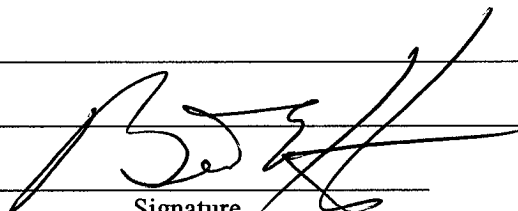
*Claims for exemption from the requirement that the annual report be covered by the opinion of an independent public accountant must be supported by a statement of facts and circumstances relied on as the basis for the exemption. See Section 240.17a-5(e)(2)

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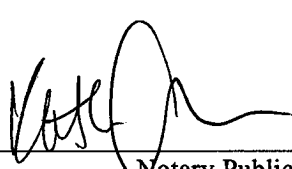

OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, Brent E. Hippert, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc., as of December 31, 2017, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:

none


Signature

CFO
Title



Notary Public

This report ** contains (check all applicable boxes):

- ☒ (a) Facing Page.
- ☒ (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- ☒ (c) Statement of Income (Loss).
- ☒ (d) Statement of Changes in Financial Condition.
- ☒ (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietors' Capital.
- ☐ (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- ☒ (g) Computation of Net Capital.
- ☒ (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.
- ☒ (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3.
- ☒ (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
- ☐ (k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.
- ☒ (l) An Oath or Affirmation.
- ☐ (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- ☐ (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.

****For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).**

ASHTON STEWART & CO., INC.

REPORT PURSUANT TO RULE 17a-5

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND
REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED
PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

**AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2017**

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Shareholder of
Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.

Opinion on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc as of December 31, 2017, the related statements of operations, changes in shareholder's equity and cash flows for the year ended December 31, 2017 and the related notes and schedules 1, 2 and 3 (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc as of December 31, 2017, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the period ended December 31, 2017, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc's financial statements based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB") and are required to be independent with respect to the company in accordance with the U.S Federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audit included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audit also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Supplemental Information

The schedule's 1, 2, and 3 have been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc's financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc's management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the supplemental information reconciles to the financial statements or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable, and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information presented in the supplemental information. In forming our opinion on the supplemental information, we evaluated whether the supplemental information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with 17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5. In our opinion, the schedule's 1, 2, and 3 are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.



We have served as the Company's auditor since 2015.

Goldman & Company, CPA's, P.C.
Marietta, Georgia
February 27, 2018

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company, cpas, pc

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.
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Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.
Statement of Financial Condition
December 31, 2017

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 21,035
Total current assets	<u>21,035</u>
 Total assets	 <u><u>\$ 21,035</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY

LIABILITIES:

Accrued expenses	\$ 60
	<u>60</u>

STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY:

Preferred stock, 20,000,000 undesignated shares authorized no shares issued and outstanding	
Common stock, \$.001 par value, 80,000,000 shares authorized, 8,500,000 shares issued and outstanding	8,500
Additional paid-in capital	317,436
Accumulated (deficit)	<u>(304,961)</u>

Total Stockholder's Equity	20,975
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Total Liabilities and stockholders' equity	<u><u>\$ 21,035</u></u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.
Statement of Operations
For The Year Ended December 31, 2017

REVENUES:

Revenues	<u>\$ 165,921</u>
Total revenues	<u>165,921</u>

EXPENSES:

Consulting Fees, Commissions, Payroll	141,084
Regulatory fees	7,829
Technology Costs	7,679
Other operating	<u>4,909</u>
Total expenses	<u>161,501</u>

INCOME BEFORE PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES

Provision for income taxes	<u>-</u>
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NET INCOME	<u><u>\$ 4,420</u></u>
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.
Statement of Changes in Stockholder's Equity
For the Year Ended December 31, 2017

	<u>Common Stock</u>		<u>Additional</u>	<u>Accumulated</u>	
	<u>Shares</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Paid in</u>	<u>(Deficit)</u>	<u>Total</u>
			<u>Capital</u>		
Balance, December 31, 2016	8,500,000	\$ 8,500	\$ 317,436	\$ (309,382)	\$ 16,554
Net Income				4,420	4,420
Balance, December 31, 2017	<u>8,500,000</u>	<u>\$ 8,500</u>	<u>\$ 317,436</u>	<u>\$ (304,962)</u>	<u>\$ 20,975</u>

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.
Statement of Cash Flows
For The Year Ended December 31, 2017

OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Net income	\$ 4,420
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash Provided by operating activities:	
Decrease in accounts payable	(40)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>4,380</u>

NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS 4,380

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR 16,654

CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR \$ 21,035

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2017

Note 1 – Organization and summary of significant accounting policies

Organization

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc. (the Company), formerly MAS Capital Securities, Inc. and Vantage Securities, Inc., was incorporated as MAS Trade.net, Inc., on September 27, 1999, in the State of Indiana. On October 29, 2001, the Company changed its name to MAS Capital Securities, Inc.

During November 2002, the Company's sole shareholder entered into an agreement to sell all of the issued and outstanding shares of the Company to Vantage Advisor Group, LLC (VAG or LLC). The name was then changed to Vantage Securities, Inc.

During 2010, in an effort to rebrand the firm to more adequately reflect its investment banking line of business the name was changed to Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.

During 2015 the shares of the Company were sold. The Company will continue to operate under the new ownership. The new ownership has injected capital into the Company and will continue to do so to ensure the Company meets regulatory requirements.

The Company is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and is a member of the Financial Regulatory Authority (FINRA).

Revenue recognition

Wholesale fees on the sale of insurance products to other broker-dealers are recognized as earned, upon satisfaction of performance obligations under contract, when the sales are completed, the amounts can be reasonably estimated and the collection assured. Registered representative commissions and related expenses are recorded when earned and incurred on a monthly basis according to agreements. The Company is evaluating new revenue recognition standards for broker-dealers and will implement as required.

Income taxes

The Company follows FASB ASC 740-10 for recording the provision for income taxes. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are computed based upon the difference between the financial statement and income tax basis of assets and liabilities using the enacted marginal tax rate applicable when the related asset or liability is expected to be realized or settled. Deferred income tax expenses or benefits are based on the changes in the asset or liability each period. If available evidence suggests that it is more likely than not that some portion or all of the deferred tax assets will not be realized, a valuation allowance is required to reduce the deferred tax assets to the amount that is more likely than not to be realized. Future changes in such valuation allowance are included in the provision for deferred income taxes in the period of change. The Company has no uncertain tax positions at December 31, 2017.

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2016

Note 1 – Organization and summary of significant accounting policies - continued

Deferred taxes are classified as current or non-current, depending on the classification of assets and liabilities to which they relate. Deferred taxes arising from temporary differences that are not related to an asset or liability are classified as current or non-current depending on the periods in which the temporary differences are expected to reverse.

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ significantly from those estimates.

Cash and cash equivalents

The Company considers all liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The Company had no cash equivalents as of December 31, 2017.

The Company maintains its cash balances in one financial institution, which at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes it is not subject to significant credit risk related to cash.

Basis of Accounting

The Company maintains its books and records on the accrual basis of accounting for financial reporting purposes, which is in accordance with U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and is required by the SEC and FINRA.

Note 2 – Income taxes

The Company has unused Federal Income Tax operating loss carry forwards related to our operations of approximately \$359,795 which expire between 2027 and 2032. The Company has not recorded a deferred tax asset reflecting any benefit of future tax benefits as in the judgment of the Company the utilization is not considered probable.

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2016

Note 3 – Net capital requirements

The Company is subject to the SEC uniform net capital rule (SEC Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 15 to 1. At December 31, 2017, the Company had net capital of \$20,975, which was \$15,975 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000. The Company's percentage of aggregative indebtedness to net capital was 0.3%.

Note 4 – Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through February 27, 2018, which is the date the financial statements were issued. The Company has determined that there are no material subsequent events requiring adjustment to or disclosure in its financial statements.

Note 5 – Concentrations

The Company had 61% of its Revenue from one customer in 2017.

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.
Schedule I - Computation Of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1
Of The Securities And Exchange Commission
December 31, 2017

Stockholder's Equity per Statement of Financial Condition	<u>\$ 20,975</u>
Less: Nonallowable assets	<u>-</u>
Net capital	<u><u>\$ 20,975</u></u>
Aggregate indebtedness - items included in financial statements	<u><u>\$ 60</u></u>
Basic net capital requirement (\$5,000 minimum)	<u><u>\$ 5,000</u></u>
Excess net capital	<u><u>\$ 15,975</u></u>
Precent aggregate indebtedness to net capital	<u><u>0.3%</u></u>

There were no differences between the above calculation and the Company's calculation of net capital as reflected on the unaudited Form 17a-5, Part IIA

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.
Schedules II & III - Computation for Determination of Reserve
Requirements and Information Relating to the Possession and
Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3
December 31, 2017

SCHEDULE II

COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS UNDER
RULE 15c3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 pursuant to paragraph (k)(2)(i) of the Rule.

SCHEDULE III

INFORMATION RELATING TO THE POSSESSION OR CONTROL
REQUIREMENTS UNDER RULE 15c3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
COMMISSION

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 pursuant to paragraph (k)(2)(i) of the Rule.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Stockholders of
Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.

We have reviewed management's statements, included in Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.'s Annual Exemption Report, in which (1) Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc. identified the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. §15c3-3(k) under which Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc. claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. §240.15c3-3: k(2)(i) (the "exemption provisions") and (2) Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc. stated that Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc. met the identified exemption provisions throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception. Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.'s management is responsible for compliance with the exemption provisions and its statements.

Our review was conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) and, accordingly, included inquiries and other required procedures to obtain evidence about Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc.'s compliance with the exemption provisions. A review is substantially less in scope than an examination, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion on management's statements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to management's statements referred to above for them to be fairly stated, in all material respects, based on the provisions set forth in paragraph (k)(2)(i) of Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.



Goldman + Company, CPA's, P.C.
Marietta, GA
February 27, 2018

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+ COMPANY, CPAs

ASHTON STEWART & CO., INC

**800 Third Ave
Suite 2700
New York, NY 10022**

Exemption Report

Ashton Stewart & Co., Inc. (the "Company") is a registered broker-dealer subject to Rule 17a-5 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission (17 C.F.R. §240.17a-5, "Reports to be made by certain brokers and dealers"). This Exemption Report was prepared as required by 17 C.F.R. § 240.17a-5(d)(1) and (4). To the best of its knowledge and belief, the Company states the following:

- (1) The Company claimed an exemption from 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3 under the following provisions of 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3 (k): (2)(i)
- (2) The Company met the identified exemption provisions in 17 C.F.R. § 240.15c3-3(k) throughout the most recent fiscal year without exception.

I, Brent E. Hippert, swear (or affirm) that, to my best knowledge and belief, this Exemption Report is true and correct.



By: Brent E. Hippert
Title: CFO
February 8, 2018